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In re Application of

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE COMMUNICATION

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Communication dated July 13, 2007 in the above-referenced application, the period for response having been extended three months to January 13, 2008 in accordance with the attached Petition for Extension of Time, please consider the following the amendments and remarks for the purposes of allowance.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begins on page 3 of this paper.